

75A-30 Lincoln Memorial Cemetery 4001 Suitland Road Suitland

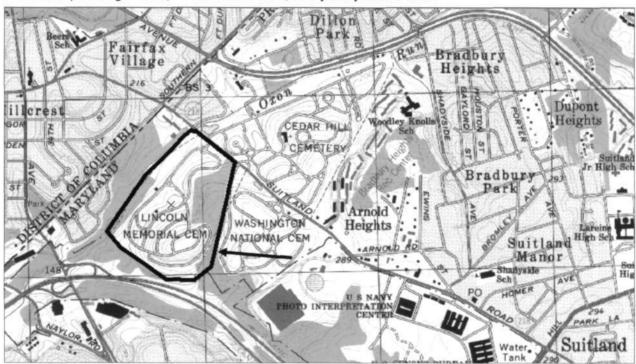
Lincoln Memorial Cemetery is a commercial, nonsectarian, privately owned African-American cemetery. It has about 51,000 graves, and its oldest burial is dated 1928. This cemetery was started in 1927 by James Easley Edmunds from Lynchburg, Virginia, for black residents of the Washington area. It was developed on land which was part of the old Landon dairy farm. It is currently under the same ownership as Cedar Hill in Suitland and Maryland National Memorial Park just south of Laurel.

The entrance to the cemetery from Suitland Road is through a wrought iron archway with the legend "Lincoln Cemetery." This archway opens onto a landscaped circle from which several roadways lead to the south and to higher ground. The most noticeable architectural feature of the cemetery is at the top of the hill, which has a view of the surrounding area. It is a small mausoleum in stylized classical temple form. In front of the temple opening is a bronze statue of the seated Bishop W. McCollough, a work of sculptor Ed Dwight in 1991. The inscription reads "Built in honor of Bishop W. McCollough by Bishop S. C. Madison. Successor to Bishop C. M. Grace, founder of United House of Prayer for all People Church on the rock of the Apostolic faith."

(See FRR PrGe 17) African-American Heritage Survey, 1996

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Anacostia quadrangle 1965, Photorevised 1979, Bathymetry added 1982



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